

REMARKS

Claims 1-39 stand rejected. Claims 1-39 remain pending. Applicant respectfully requests further examination and reconsideration in view of the remarks set forth below. Applicant believes that the amendments to the patent application herein do not add new matter to it.

35 U.S.C. §102 Rejections

Claims 1, 3, 5-10, 12-16, 18, 19, 21-25, 27-31, 33 and 35-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Bonomi et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,769,127 (hereinafter Bonomi). Claims 2, 17 and 32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Cao et al., U.S. Patent Application No. 09/586,247 that is incorporated by reference in Bonomi.

CLAIM 1

Applicant respectfully contends that Bonomi fails to teach subject matter recited in amended independent Claim 1. For instance, amended Claim 1 recites in part (emphasis added):

said server computer locating a second personalized video recorder capable of receiving a broadcast of said television show that satisfies said request;

Applicant respectfully asserts that Bonomi does not teach the server computer locating a second personalized video recorder capable of receiving a broadcast of the television show that satisfies the request as specifically recited in amended Claim 1. Since Bonomi fails to teach at least one element recited in amended Claim 1, Applicant

respectfully asserts that Bonomi cannot anticipate amended Claim 1. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that amended Claim 1 is allowable over Bonomi.

CLAIM 16

Applicant respectfully asserts that Bonomi does not teach subject matter recited in amended independent Claim 16. For instance, amended Claim 16 recites in part (emphasis added):

said server computer locating a plurality of digital video recorders capable of receiving a broadcast of said television show that satisfies said request;

Applicant respectfully contends that Bonomi fails to teach the server computer locating a plurality of digital video recorders capable of receiving a broadcast of the television show that satisfies the request as specifically recited in amended Claim 16. Since Bonomi does not teach at least one element recited in amended Claim 16, Applicant respectfully asserts that Bonomi cannot anticipate amended Claim 16. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that amended Claim 16 is allowable over Bonomi.

CLAIM 31

Applicant respectfully contends that Bonomi fails to teach subject matter recited in amended independent Claim 31. For instance, amended Claim 31 recites in part (emphasis added):

said server computer locating a plurality of digital video recorders capable of receiving a broadcast of said television show that satisfies said request;

Applicant respectfully asserts that Bonomi does not teach the server computer locating a plurality of digital video recorders capable of receiving a broadcast of the television show that satisfies the request as specifically recited in amended Claim 31. Since Bonomi fails to teach at least one element recited in amended Claim 31, Applicant respectfully asserts that Bonomi cannot anticipate amended Claim 31. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that amended Claim 31 is allowable over Bonomi.

CONCLUSION

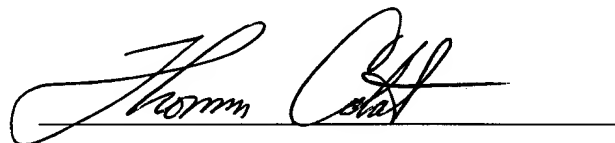
In light of the above listed remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of rejected Claims 1-39.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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